

REMARKS

Supplementary to the reply that was filed in this case on August 11, 2003, applicants confirm that the serial number of the co-pending application named in the provisional rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101 is 09/452,638, not 09/152,638, as indicated in the reply. Applicants apologize for any inconveniences caused by this error.

Applicants also note that claims in the non-elected restriction groups (claims 17-29), as well as claims depending from a claim that has been amended to exclude the material in the dependent claims (claims 11-13) have been canceled.

Finally, applicants confirm that the claims submitted with the August 11, 2003 reply as belonging to U.S. Serial No. 09/452,638, which are numbered as 1-9 in the August 11, 2003 submission, correspond to examined claims 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, and 33-36, respectively, of U.S. Serial No. 09/452,638, with dependencies amended accordingly, except that claim 5 presented in the August submission (corresponding to examined claim 8) has subsequently been amended to read as follows:

5. The chimeric virus of claim 1, wherein said chimeric virus comprises a signal sequence at the amino terminus of said pre-membrane protein, and said signal sequence is that of yellow fever virus.

Applicants apologize for any inconveniences that this may have caused.

Applicants submit that the claims are in condition for allowance, and such action is respectfully requested. If there are any charges or any credits, please apply them to Deposit Account No. 03-2095.

Respectfully submitted,

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